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"founded by gentlemen who were sent out by the Colonial Office at the Colony's expense." Mr. SHEWAN pays a tribute to our late Governor, admitting that he was in many respects an able administrator, but thinks that he claims too much in his defence of his administration in the *Times*. With this Hongkong will agree, we think. With regard to Sir HENRY's statement that Professor Simpson visited the Colony at his request, Mr. SHEWAN says that he forgot to add that this was forced upon him, and that his Government did nothing until the community took the matter in hand publicly and appointed a committee, which drew up and forwarded a petition to the home Government for enquiry, resulting in Messrs. CHADWICK and SIMPSON being sent out. This surely cannot be controverted. It was the public agitation which forced the Government's hand, not the Government which led and directed the agitation. Mr. SHEWAN concludes by saying that he might, but for considerations of space, touch on the evils of "the want of water, the state of the roads, the backwardness of all Government work, the ridiculous Admiralty Dock, overcrowding of Chinese, etc." We take it that Mr. SHEWAN does not charge all these evils to the recent administration. He knows of course that they are inherited evils due to past maladministration. The fault of recent local government here is that it has not striven vigorously enough to find the cure, and has been too content to tinker rather than renew. Sir HENRY BLAKE and his advisers fail by lack of initiative. Too much attention was paid to building up a big surplus revenue, while public works remained a discredited to the Colony. Hongkong is very prosperous and the Government revenue is noteworthy for the size of the Colony. But it is the policy of its Governor which has made us what we are. Out-and-out denunciations of the whole system of administration will do no good. On the other hand, an over-zealous defence equally defeats its object. Mr. SHEWAN seems to represent best the general view of the community when, while allowing our late Governor's administrative ability in many respects, he nevertheless condemns the system generally.

The following appointment was made last month at the Admiralty:—Captain W. C. Pakenham, to the *Glory*, additional, to date Jan. 21.

At Glasgow on the 19th ult. the London and Glasgow Engineering and Shipbuilding Company launched the cruiser *Reynard*, which is the third cruiser of the *Comely* class, built by the Glasgow firm for the British Navy.

A month ago the New Zealand Premier, Mr. Seddon, addressing his constituents, said that the appearance of Russia as a naval power in the China seas was a danger to the British Colonies, involving increased Imperial expenditure for a squadron sufficient to meet the altered conditions.

The appeal to the Emperor of Russia and the Emperor of Japan, asking them to refer the question in dispute to the International High Court established at The Hague, was telegraphed to their Majesties on the 21st ult. The result is, of course, already well known.

Commercial Intelligence says:—Some of the Ambassadors have a very easy time in Bangkok, and appear to have strange ideas about their duties. The representative of one of the five "Great Powers" has taken to training horses for the local nobles, and, as his clientele is increasing at the expense of the local professional trainers, considerable feeling is being engendered.

In connection with the delay of the French cruiser *Sully* in sailing for the Far East, it has been announced last month that M. Pelletan had relieved Captain Farret of the command, and replaced him by Captain Guiberteau. This decision caused great surprise. The *Times* (Paris) believed that the officer incensed M. Pelletan's displeasure by objecting to the *Sully's* hurried departure in an unfit condition. In recent trials the vessel met with an accident in dock, one of its torpedo-tubes being bent, and doubts also existed as to the solidity of one of its screws. Finally, the gunnery trials had not been completed, and some of the guns had shown defects.

A home paper announces that Mr. A. Perry Sinnett, the prophet of occultism, has gained a new pulp in the editorship of *Broad View*, an eightpenny monthly magazine, of which No. 1 is now current. In an article on the doctrine of re-incarnation, these sentences occur:—"Birth is no more an accident than the delivery of a letter by the postman at the address on the envelope." "The environment into which each soul, as it comes into earth life, is thrown, is the nearest approximation that the law can provide to a mathematically accurate expression of the soul's desires." Mr. Sinnett, having been sub-editor and leader-writer of several London journals, became editor of the *Hongkong Daily Press* in 1865. Here he remained for three years and after four years in London became editor of the *Alhambra Pioneer* with the result that he became interested in theosophy, wrote *The Occult World* in 1881, *Esoteric Buddhism* in 1883, and various other works inspired by the same theme since.

We see that, on the 20th ult., by its 932nd consecutive performance at the Strand Theatre, London, *A Chinese Honeymoon* (played by the Dallas Co. here on Monday and Tuesday last) succeeded in breaking the record for a musical play, of 331 held by *Dorothy*.

The St. Petersburg Imperial Messenger published the following last month:—On 16th January the chief of the laboratory of the Imperial Institute of Experimental Medicine for the preparation of plague remedies was taken ill after having been engaged in experimenting with living plague cultures. He died of plague on the 20th inst., in spite of every medical assistance and repeated injections of anti-plague serum. Injections of the anti-plague serum were made in good time into all persons who had been in contact with him. The laboratory is in Port Alexander 1, which is on a small island completely isolated from Kronstadt and the other forts.

Mr. H. Fulford Bush (of the firm of Bush Brothers) writes to the *Times* to correct a misapprehension which has arisen in regard to certain remarks of his made during the course of an address to the Incorporated Chamber of Commerce of Liverpool. He says:—"I stated that there were Japanese military engineers in Manchuria who were prepared to blow up sections of the Trans-Siberian Railway line within a fortnight of the outbreak of hostilities. Much to my surprise I have learned that these remarks have been considered injudicious and prejudicial to Japanese interests, in so far as their circulation may serve to increase the Russian vigilance along the said route. May I suggest that such inference is an unwarrantable aspersions upon the intelligence of the Russian military authorities, who, to the best of my knowledge and belief, are efficient to recognise the vital necessity of guarding the railway line at all points? In view of the fact that a Russian gentleman of my acquaintance informed me some months ago that, as the Japanese, through their Military Intelligence Corps, were fully posted as to every Russian movement and disposition of troops, it behooved the Russian army to be strong at all points, we may be safe in assuming that the Russians are fully aware of the presence, not necessarily the whereabouts, of these representatives of Dal Nippon's military forces. In conclusion, I would also add that my apparent disclosure of what has certainly been news to many of our people, and those of the Continent, was anticipated by the statement of the Japanese officer to one of our newspapers, of which I made the mention in my address; and my opinion of the Japanese military caution is certainly not second to that I entertain of the intelligence of their opponents."

From the letter of a Sydney correspondent in a home paper it seems that the strict enforcement of the Alien Immigration Restriction Act in Australia is arousing considerable indignation and feeling amongst the people there. The lengths to which the authorities are prepared to go is illustrated by the barbarous manner in which the Chinese and Malay crew of the *Petria*, wrecked near the entrance to Port Phillip, were treated by the Commonwealth Government. There was not the slightest hope of saving the vessel, but while the captain and chief officer, both white men, were graciously permitted to land, the whole of the crew, sixteen Chinese and eleven Malays, were forbidden to go on shore, even to save their lives. They were permitted to drown, if they so pleased, in Commonwealth waters, but not to rest until assistance arrived on Australian soil. Fortunately, a partial solution of the difficulty was furnished by the aliens shivering in their cold and wet clothing, being taken on board a tug-boat to await the arrival of the Japanese mail steamer then due at Melbourne. The captain and crew of the *Kaunga Maru* behaved in a more Christian-like spirit to the shipwrecked unfortunate than did the Federal authorities. But the story of the inhuman manner in which the crew of the *Petria* were treated has awakened a feeling of disgust throughout Australia. The captain of the *Petria*, writing to the Melbourne papers, says:—"I have sailed in many seas the world over, but have never before seen or heard of a country where the shipwrecked mariner was not allowed to put his foot on dry land. If your seamen were wrecked on the Malay Peninsula or on the Chinese coast they would not only have been welcomed, but the best shore poor blacks possessed would have been placed at their disposal."

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers, the Band of the 93rd Durum Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-night:—
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Selection:—"Flourish" ... Leslie Stuart
March:—"Saint d'Amour" ... Elgar
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Lancers:—"The Forerider" ... Willams
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Potato.
VEGETABLES.
Boiled Potatoes Baked Potatoes
Sweet Corn Stewed Celery.
SWEETS.
Fig Pudding Gooseberry Pie
Vanilla Ice-cream Finger Cake.

A marriage has been arranged between Mr. J. A. Murray, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and Miss L. M. Barber, and will take place at Penang on the 27th inst.

The P. and O. cargo boat *Molacca*, which sailed from the Albert Dock for the Far East on the 23rd ult. is bringing a 28-ton gun to Hongkong. The weapon is over 40ft. long. It travels on the deck in a stout wooden cradle to keep it from breaking loose and doing damage.

Major G. E. Pereira, D.S.O., Grenadier Guards, who formerly served with the Chinese Regiment of Infantry at Weihaiwei, has been temporarily attached as Military Attaché to the staff of the British Minister-Resident in Seoul. In ordinary circumstances the duties of British Military Attaché in Korea are performed by Lieut-Col. C. V. Hume, D.S.O., Royal Artillery, whose appointment is to both Tokyo and Seoul. Major Pereira served as a Special Service Officer and was slightly wounded in the China expedition of 1903.

Mr. Geo. Edwards will produce a new comic opera at Daly's Theatre on or about the 1st March. It will be called *Sunny Ceylon*. It is full of tea estate scenes, creepers and plantations, and Kandy fests and processions are being lavishly introduced. Hayden Coffin takes the part of a tea-planter who loves a daisy maiden—a part that will most likely be taken by Miss Isabel Jay—who is betrothed to a Native Prince. The latter part will be taken by Rutland Barrington. Huntley Wright has the part of a Babu lawyer.

A British officer who has served under Viceroy Alexieff and had two years' experience of Port Arthur, says:—"Admiral Alexieff has undoubtedly, done wonders in urging the construction of docks, and in dredging the inner part of the port of Port Arthur; but the fleet under the admiral's command would, withdrawn inside the port, be so congested that they might suffer heavily from the superior high angle fire of Japanese ships. It is to be remembered that the Japanese know where the Russian ships would have to lie in the port." This was written over a month ago.

The annual banquet of the American Chamber of Commerce at Paris on the 17th ult. was the occasion of a sympathetic demonstration in favour of close ties of amity between France, England, and the United States. Mr. Seligmann, the banker, who is dean of the American Chamber, considered that the *entente cordiale* between France and England was the most important of all great political events, betokening a new era of joy and happiness for humanity. He then referred to the prejudices which formerly existed in his own country against England. All that had been changed, and he now averred that the feeling of friendship had become so pronounced that war between the United States and England was almost impossible. He hoped the same might soon be said about France and England, in which case the three countries would form a bond of such strength as to impose disarmament and peace on the nations of Europe. The speaker's remarks were enthusiastically received.

The service journal *The Military and Naval Record*, writes as follows concerning the late Admiral Keppel, whose career and death we commented on last month:—"Sir Henry Keppel, who died on Sunday, was an ideal sailor. He crowded more adventure into his long life than any three other men could record, and disproved the notion that romance has departed from life, and that excitements are lacking. From China to the Baltic, from the Crimea to South America, his experience extended, and he generally managed to get in the thick of the fight. His escapes may be said to date almost from the day of his birth, for, as he stated in his autobiography, when he was three weeks old, he was deposited in his father's footman to be interred in a garden at the back of the house, not being entitled to a birth in consecrated ground. Fortunately the old nurse discovered that there was life in the "small thing," before the final "screwing up," and for England a great naval commander was thus saved. Sir Henry loved to boast that he had served under four Sovereigns and he lived to see the fifth. The Navy has experienced an amazing transformation since the youthful Keppel entered on the sailing vessel *Tweed* in 1824. He witnessed the slow suppression of sailing vessels by steam, the introduction and decay of the steam line-of-battle and steam frigates, and the gradual development of the ironclad into the wonderful piece of mechanism of the present. He did not serve afloat after 1869, and he retired altogether in 1875, after his term as Commander-in-Chief at Devonport, but he is known to have followed the development of the Navy with the keenest interest."

THE DALLAS COMPANY.

The second performance of *Three Little Maids*, by this popular company was quite up to the mark, the performance going with a swing throughout, and the performers appearing even more at home in their respective parts than on the previous night. The violin-playing of Miss Garbette was quite a feature of the evening; her rendering of Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen" deservedly calling for a spontaneous encore. The costumes of the Society Ballets were even more elaborate than on the previous evening, those of Miss Eva Carlotta attracting special attention. The drawing-room scene in the third act was somewhat marred by a general stiffness amongst "Lady Mallory's" guests, possibly due to the inclusion of some self-conscious local "talent." Otherwise the performance was another score for the company.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE WAR.

RUSSIA CLAIMS JAPANESE BATTLESHIPS SUNK.

London, 24th Feb., 6.20 p.m.

The Russian official reports state that four Japanese battleships and two transports have been sunk at Port Arthur. The names of the vessels are not given.

JAPANESE AGAIN ATTACK PORT ARTHUR.

London, 25th Feb., 11.15 a.m.

Viceroy Alexieff, in a telegram to the Tsar, states that on the 24th instant the Japanese attempted to block Port Arthur, by means of steamers filled with explosives. Four steamers—not battleships—were destroyed. The entrance is reported to be still clear.

GENERAL NEWS.

UNIVERSITY HOCKEY.

LONDON, 25th Feb., 11.15 a.m.

Oxford has defeated Cambridge in the inter-University Hockey Match by one goal to nothing.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR—APPREHENSIONS OF NEUTRALS.

LONDON, 23rd February.

The war is evidently exciting apprehensions among neutrals. Sweden is mobilising troops and fortifying the coasts. Spain is sending considerable reinforcements to the Canaries and otherwise preparing. Portugal is sending the *Vasco da Gama* to the Far East and appears to contemplate mobilisation.

RUSSIA IN CENTRAL ASIA.

LONDON, 23rd February.

In connection with General Ivanoff's departure for Turkestan, the Russian troops in the direction of the Pamirs will be considerably reinforced.

RUSSIAN TRANSPORT RETURNING.

LONDON, 23rd February.

The Russian transport *Smolensk* has re-entered the Canal, homeward bound.

THE SITUATION IN MANCHURIA.

LONDON, 23rd February.

Admiral Alexieff and all members of his staff are now installed at Harbin.

The civilians at Vladivostok have been ordered to leave owing to scarcity of food. The Government is taking everything available.

Russia and Japan in reply to the United States Note say they are prepared to respect the neutrality of China outside Manchuria, the actual seat of war.

THE FIRE AT CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

On the morning of the 24th inst. at 4.15, a big fire occurred at Ha Chan Tong, which is about ten minutes' walk from Shameen, where several restaurants and other places of resort are situated. When the fire broke out a great number of singing-girls and neighbouring residents fled, and took refuge on the boats moored in the Shamoon Canal. The fire was the work of incendiaries, as an order has been passed lately by the Viceroy of Wong Sha, requiring that all the flower-boats at Kung-fa should move to Nam Kwan, a considerable distance away, thus taking away the business of singing girls in that district. Availing themselves of this opportunity some vagabonds raided the district, while many girls were forcibly carried away to be sold or held for ransom. Over one hundred houses in all were burned down, the conflagration being only finally got under at about half-past ten that morning.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 25th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen in N. China, and fallen in Japan and S. China.

Pressure is highest in the extreme North of China, and lowest in the Philippines.

Gradients are rather steep on the China coast, and fresh monsoon will be met with in the Formosa channel, and moderate to fresh monsoon in the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; cloudy, fair.

THE WAR.

THE RUSSIAN "WAR CHEST."

It is common knowledge that Russia has amassed a considerable amount of gold as war reserves, and at the meeting of the London City and Midland Bank, held at Cannon Street Hotel, London, last month, Mr. Arthur Keon, the chairman, traced the history of the great increase in the amount of gold now held by Russia. He said that, whereas in 1901 Russia held only £78,000,000, by 1903 they had increased this amount to £288,000,000. The drain from this country to Germany for Russian account continued, and by the middle of September the gold in the Bank of Russia had increased to nearly £32,000,000.

THE STARTING POINT.

The London *Daily Telegraph* published a despatch, dated Nagasaki, the 6th instant, stating that when the Russian squadron left Port Arthur, it escorted troops to the Yalu River and landed a full division. Japan's patience was then exhausted, and she seized three Russian merchantmen with cargoes of coals and stores on board.

CEYLON'S POSITION.

The announcement of war created some little excitement in Ceylon. In view of the possibility of the approach of Russia from the Red Sea, the Colombo harbour was to be taken over by the local military authorities. Each was to be fitted with a military mast for signalling purposes and in time of emergency moved ten miles out at sea. If a suspicious-looking craft loomed to sight ten miles away from the coast, the fact will at once be signalled to the military watch-tower and preparations for any eventualities be made.

The movements of the East Indies Squadron were not known in Colombo when the last mail left. According to the latest information, however, H.M.S. *Hyacinth*, the flagship, with Rear-Admiral Atkinson-Willes on board, was at Aden in connection with the Somaliland campaign, while H.M.S. *Merlin* and *Pomone* were also at Aden. The other five vessels forming the squadron—H.M.S. *Fox*, *Lopung*, *Perseus*, *Porpoise* and *Sphinx*—were reported at Bombay.

ANOTHER FIRE.

At about 2.55 a.m. yesterday morning another fire broke out, with what might have had disastrous results. Starting at the 2nd floor of No. 444, Des Vaux Road West, in a large, well-stocked meat-shop, the conflagration was soon under full way. The alarm having been given it was not long before the Fire Brigade was on the scene, under charge of Mr. Hallifax, Mr. Macdonald, Chief Engineer, and the full staff being present. Considerable delay, however, was caused by the inability to obtain a supply of water to play on the fire, and until the water was turned on the firemen could do but little more than remove property from the adjoining buildings which were threatened. In the meantime the fire spread unchecked to Nos. 446 on one side, and 442, 440, and 438 on the other, Nos. 444 and 446 being completely gutted, while the surrounding premises were considerably damaged by the falling sparks, and the volumes of water, of which there was at last a plentiful supply. During the progress of this fire the outer wall of No. 438 collapsed suddenly, and fell crashing into Sal On Lane, nearly catching Inspector McNeib and Sergeants Grant and Watt in its fall, who most fortunately, however, just escaped with their lives without sustaining further injuries than a slight scorching, and somewhat damaged clothes. No. 444 was insured for \$12,500, but the actual extent of the damage done could not be learned up to a late hour yesterday.

GARRISON CHANGES.

According to the proposed changes in the next troop year the Sherwood Foresters, officially known as the 1st Battalion North and Derbyshire Regiment, will be transferred from Hongkong to Singapore, to be replaced here by the 2nd Battalion Royal West Kent Regiment, at present in Ceylon. Colonel Western, C.B., officer commanding the 2nd Battalion Royal West Kent Regiment, informed a *Times* of Ceylon representative that in all probability the battalion will be transferred to Hongkong next autumn, in the ordinary course of things. It is also proposed to transfer the 87th and 88th Companies of Royal Garrison Artillery from Ceylon to Hongkong, and the 78th and 80th Companies from Hongkong to Singapore.

ARMY REFORM.

Mr. Arnold-Forster, Secretary for War, outlined his policy of Army reform last month at the house dinner of the Liverpool Conservative Club. In a vigorous speech he accepted full responsibility for the task imposed upon him to reorganise the Army. Mr. Arnold-Forster's proposals may be briefly set out as follows:—

- Check expenditure.
- Secure value for money.
- Ameliorate the conditions of Reserve service to fit the labour market.
- Increase the number of trained subalterns and captains.
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HONGKONG, 26th FEBRUARY, 1904

It will have been seen from the paragraph published in our issue of yesterday that Mr. ROBERT SHEWAN wrote to the London *Times* a letter, dated the 12th December last, in which he commented on Sir HENRY BLAKE's reply to Mr. ALFRED LEBLAND's criticisms on the administration of Hongkong. Mr. LEBLAND made a very sweeping denunciation of Government methods in this Colony, and our late Governor replied at considerable length, defending in particular the Civil Servants of Hongkong from certain charges which he considered Mr. LEBLAND to have brought against them unjustly. In this respect the advantage of the argument lay rather with Sir HENRY BLAKE, for in saying, as he did, that in Hongkong it is considered the worst of bad form in Government circles to appear interested in one's work the writer of the *Times* articles on Colonial Administration was decidedly in error. The charge was not a fair one, and by making it Mr. LEBLAND weakened his case. That was unfortunate, for the cause which he was pleading. Mr. SHEWAN has now taken it up in answer to Sir HENRY BLAKE, and puts the case in another and more effective way. He says that Mr. LEBLAND has only voiced the feelings of Europeans in Hongkong and their dissatisfaction with a system of government by men sent out by the Colonial Office who know nothing of the Colony's wants and ways. He continues:—"The more able and energetic spirits among whom 'quickly pass out of the Colonial service' into the law or other professions where the 'rewards are much greater. In proof of this I may point out that almost all the 'principal firms of architects and civil engineers now in Hongkong have been

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [586]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [587]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [589]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [591]

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For The International Banking Corporation,

CHAS. R. SCOTT,

Manager.

For The Guaranty Trust Company of New York,

E. F. GROS,

Manager.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [593]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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T. F. HOUGH,

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [458]

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [459]

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [460]

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No. 111.

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By Command, **A. M. THOMSON,**

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 18th February, 1904.

NOTICE.

A MEETING of HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the JUSTICES' ROOM, at the Magistracy, at 2.15 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 1st day of MARCH, 1904, for the purpose of considering the following application:

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [558]

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1904. [575]

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the Freemason's Hall on TUESDAY, the 1st MARCH instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on the 26th FEBRUARY, to the 5th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [474]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

The Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on the 25th instant, to the 10th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order, **GEO. L. TOMLIN,**

Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [498]

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at 12.15 P.M. on THURSDAY, the 10th MARCH, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th MARCH, both days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1904. [584]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after this date, they can obtain Scrip Certificates for Shares of the new issue in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Bank receipts on application at the Registered Office of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1904. [515]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1903, at the rate of One Penny and Ten Shillings, together with a Bonus of Ten Shillings sterling per share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 22nd day of FEBRUARY, current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [558]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 12% per Share and Bonus of 2% per Share for the six months ending 31st December, 1903, declared at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the P.emies of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 23rd FEBRUARY, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New 1 rays.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

TROUS. I. ROSE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1904. [571]

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WM. SCHMIDT & CO.,

Hongkong, 28th November, 1902. [111]

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3518]

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Hongkong, 13th June, 1903. [334]

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HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1904. [573]

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EVAN ARMISTON,

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [122]

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S. SHIGEMASA, Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903. [1033]

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [319]

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 Hongkong, 15th February, 1904. [519]

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 Apply to—**LINSTEAD & DAVIS**,
 Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [527]

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HOUSE No. 2, QUEEN'S GARDENS as from 31st December, 1903.
 Apply—**Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.**
 Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [57]

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FIRST and SECOND FLOORS of No. 34, Queen's Road Central, opposite the General Post Office, after March 31st, 1904, at present occupied by Messrs. Powell & Co., and the Cosmopolitan House. This house is especially suitable for people who are seeking places for hotel purposes.
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 Hongkong, 13th February, 1904. [537]

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 Hongkong, 3rd November, 1903. [574]

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THE GROUND FLOOR of No. 4, Des Vaux Road. Now in the occupation of Guarantees Trust Co. of New York.
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 Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [548]

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 Hongkong, 23rd February, 1904. [569]

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FROM 1st March.
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 Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [547]

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 Hongkong, 6th January, 1904. [541]

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 Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [522]

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 Hongkong, 5th February, 1904. [430]

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 Hongkong, 5th February, 1904. [428]

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DARK RAYS OF GASLIGHT—SLAG CEMENT—ELECTRIC ARC BURNS—CARBON WOOL—A NEW OXYGEN PROCESS—NOVEL DEVELOPMENT OF HEARING—A MECHANICAL DRILL—HOLDERS—ELECTRICITY FOR CONSUMPTION—SILVER FOR WOUNDS—RADIUM.

The N-rays of R. Blondlot should interest us especially because they are so common about us. They were discovered while the light from a Welsbach burner was being concentrated by a quartz lens on a sulphide of calcium screen, the lens causing the luminosity of the screen to persist after the light was removed. They are now known to exist not only in the incandescent gas but also in the ordinary gas-flame burning without a chimney, and in the radiation from a red-hot plate of silver or talc, and they excite radio-activity in various substances, such as a plate of lead. The invisible rays can be detected by the slight increase of luminosity of a phosphorescent screen or of a very small gas-flame. These rays seem to be given off by the human body, and D'Arsonval has shown that a screen of platinecyanide of barium, made slightly luminous by radium-lights up on approach to a muscle, and is so sensitive that it can show the course of a nerve under the skin.

While hydraulic cement from blast furnace slag was made in London many years ago, the industry does not seem to have become permanent. The manufacture of Portland cement from slag and limestone has now been begun in Germany and Belgium, and the product is claimed to be cheaper and more trustworthy than that from the usual materials. Mortar of one part of slag cement to three of sand had a tensile strength of 383 pounds per square inch after 7 days, increasing to 551 pounds in 28 days.

In late experiments of Jensen, isolated cancer cells retained their vitality for 18 days at 1 deg. to 3 deg. C., 12 days at room temperature, and perished in 24 hours at body temperature. Bright light was rapidly destructive, as was also carbolic acid.

A still unexplained effect of the electric light somewhat resembles mild sunburn and sunstroke. The heat of the electric arc employed in the reducing furnace is so concentrated that it melts steel like tallow, but the thermometer a dozen yards away is scarcely affected. Even at this distance from the heat, however, persons experience a burning of the face and other exposed skin much like that produced by intensely hot sunshine. The skin becomes deeply bronzed, and there is temporary blindness in natural light, with pain in the eyes, followed by headache and insomnia.

In certain open coke furnaces, where air is admitted through openings and the gas from the bituminous coal is burned in the apparatus, carbon is deposited in the singular form of masses of fine threads. These deposits, which they call carbon wool, are found by two French chemists to occur in geode-like cavities in the coke, and the finer filaments are about 0.0008 inches in diameter, while the coarser ones range from 0.0012 to 0.0035 inches, the length being usually about 2 inches. The filaments are formed of rings, of which six were seen in 1-250th of an inch.

Oxygen has been obtained from liquid air by distillation, the nitrogen passing off first and the last 10 per cent. being about 90 per cent. oxygen. The oxygen volatilises first, but also condenses while the nitrogen is still in gaseous form, and U. Georges Claude has devised a new apparatus in which a partially frozen stream of air is made to return against fresh air, when it gives up nitrogen and takes oxygen. One end of the apparatus is thus made to give out nearly pure nitrogen and the other nearly pure oxygen, 1200 cubic feet of 92 per cent. oxygen per hour having been obtained.

To train deaf-mutes to hear and to measure their sense of hearing have been subjects of experiment in Europe by Dr. Marage. A siren giving novel sounds was used, and the intensity of the sound as it became audible became progressively less, many cases of complete deafness being thus made to give place in six weeks to the power of hearing ordinary sounds. The treatment proved to be pleasing instead of fatiguing or painful. The hearing was measured at different stages of the treatment by the air pressure necessary to make the siren audible, and the results were claimed to indicate that few persons are deaf and dumb beyond all cure.

The novel-drilling tool of Mr. Charles Simmonds, of London, enables one man to do mining hitherto requiring two men. To an iron upright or spreader bar, about 9 feet in height, is attached a small cylinder, and an ordinary 2-foot drill passing through this cylinder is held in rigid position by a powerful spring and grip lever. The drill is revolved by a foot lever working in conjunction with a piston.

An alternating current of high frequency is used by Dr. J. Cunningham Bowie in the electric treatment of consumption. In practice it has ranged from 200 to 800 milli-amperes and from 50 to 70 volts, and has been applied from 10 to 20 minutes. Almond oil containing iodine, thymol, and other antiseptics was injected into the larynx. The curative effect was noted much more quickly than with the antiseptic oils alone, and the experimenter is satisfied that the current has an important healing influence.

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The world has seen with admiration, not unmixed with dismay, the marvellous energy evolved by the fusion of races in America. Here, in South Africa, in the years to come, we shall witness the same thing repeated on a vastly larger scale, with the added advantage of the experience of the Americans to guide us, whose errors we hope to avoid while striving to repeat their successes.

At the close of their long and devastating war, the Americans awoke to the grand possibilities of their country, and proceeded to develop them with admirable skill and industry. But even the best of virtues have their darker side, and in their feverish haste to achieve material success the Americans coined themselves time for eating; with the result that they became a nation of dyspeptics, a fact which has cost them untold misery and countless dollars. The evil is better understood and more generally avoided by Americans now, and besides their scientific research has provided an antidote in Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup.

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